
Manager's Report

September 16, 2009



Dredging – Upper Newport Bay

- RDA Contracting Inc., (Alameda, CA) is the apparent low bidder at \$13.8 million for Phase II.
- In the pre-award statement, RDA listed the same equipment (tug and barges) that were previously used for Phase I. Contractor anticipates using the same field team to complete the project.
- Anticipated start date is October / November 2009.

Dredging – Lower Newport Bay

- Still working with the Planning Dept. to redefine the scope of work which will fully analyze all of the available contaminant disposal options before proceeding with and EIR.
 - This strategy is favored by our Planning Dept. and will be best for community buy-in for whatever disposal option is chosen.
 - As of now, all disposal options are up for consideration.
- Testing
 - Still negotiating with the DMMT (Dredge Material Management Team) on the final round of bioaccumulation testing (the effect the sediment has on the tissues of the animals.)
 - Primarily concerned with Mercury and DDT threshold values.
 - Asking City Council for additional \$75k to complete the project at the September 22 meeting.
 - Total testing costs will be \$375,000
 - Remember the goal: Dispose as much of the material at LA-3 (cheaper) compared to alternate contaminated disposal solution.

Sea Lions...

This barge is too inviting and needs to be 'sea lion proofed'. We've contacted the owner and have sent a letter.

Harbor Resources cancelled and denied the *Seven Sister's* request to use other people's moorings. Vessel is no longer in Newport Harbor.



Sea Lions... what we are doing

- Hired South Mooring Co. to conduct night time deterrent efforts
- 3-5 nights per week spraying sea lions on docks and vessels.



Bait Barge RFP

- The Bait Barge permit which is currently operated under the San Pedro Bait Company, will expire in January 2010.
- An RFP is being prepared and will be out in the next few weeks.
 - The current permit has been around for 20 years with several renewals. It is time to open it up to the competitive bid process.

Flooding Issue at W. Edgewater (Between Lindo and Island Ave.)

- Neighborhood has complained for years of severe flooding on Island Ave during storms and high tides.
- Grassy area and bulkhead is public property with easements.
- Met with neighborhood to discuss solutions:
 - Raise bulkhead
 - Raise the lawn area in a mound to trap water
 - Raise sidewalk
- Anticipate a solution in ~ 6 months.



Accident at 30th Street



- Responsible party has received quotes and will be repairing ASAP.
- Fortunately, no injuries and nominal damage to dock and virtually no damage to vessel.
- Accident Cause: Throttle malfunction in the bridge.

Newport to Ensenada & Border Run Regattas

- September 8 – Joint meeting at Harbor Patrol with both regatta committee members.
- Concerns with:
 - Safety with many boats sailing down the coast.
 - Confusion with starting lines – Balboa Pier vs. Little Corona (about 1.25 miles)
 - Start times
- Both events will apply for Newport Beach Activities Permits with input from Harbor Resources and Harbor Patrol.

34 & 35 Linda Isle

- Existing dock system was permitted and installed in 1997.
- Conditioned to allow berthing of:
 - One 105ft vessel and
 - One 44 ft maximum length vessel
- October 2008. Both properties transferred to one owner.
- When ownership is divided ...
 - Shared pier agreement or
 - Removal of dock



Harbor Design Criteria

- Harbor Dock Standards need to be updated
 - Some small but important errors found, particularly with dock floatation, freeboard and live / dead loads calculations,
- We have requested the industry to provide feedback for further updates.
- Goal:
 - Harbor Commission approval in November
 - City Council approval in December / January

Rhine Wharf Repairs & Public Pier

- Both projects will be bid together as one package.
 - Bid is currently open. Potential bidders go to:
 - City Home Page: www.newportbeachca.gov
 - “Online Services”
 - “Bidding and Bid Results”
 - “Contract 3821 – Rhine Channel Wharf and Public Dock”
 - Bid opening: October 6
 - Anticipated start date: November 2009

Ranking of City Web Page Hits

August 24 to September 9, 2009

Ranking and Web Page	Views
1) Home Page	26,276
10) Parks and Facilities	1,118
20) Calendar	686
30) Parking	447
40) Programs	344
50) City News	256
60) Permit History	214
70) Senior Services	196
80) City Government	179
84) Harbor Guide	168
91) Boat Auction	151
102) Harbor Resources	129
111) Permits	111
141) Back Bay Science Ctr.	78

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October Harbor Commission Study Session

Wednesday, October 14, 4:00 – 6:00 PM
Council Chambers

Regularly Scheduled Meeting
6:00 PM

November Harbor Commission

Regularly scheduled meeting on November 11th is Veteran's Day

Alternate meeting dates proposed:

Wednesday, November 4, 6:00 PM

or

Wednesday, November 18, 6:00 PM

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